

**COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)**

Chairman: Mr. Milton Farley, District No. 1

Members: Mrs. Judith K. Spooner, District No. 2  
Mr. William E. Crosby, District No. 3  
Mr. Charles E. Davis, District No. 4  
Mr. Steve M. Vaughn, District No. 5  
Mrs. Judy C. Mims, District No. 6  
Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr. District No. 7  
Mr. Henry L. Richardson, District No. 8  
Mr. James H. Rozier, Jr., Supervisor, ex officio

The COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, met on Monday, April 9, 2001, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Office Building, 223 North Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Milton Farley, Councilmember District No. 1, Chairman; Mrs. Judith K. Spooner, Councilmember District No 2; Mr. William E. Crosby, Councilmember District No. 3; Mr. Charles E. Davis, Councilmember District No. 4 Mrs. Judy C. Mims, Councilmember District No. 6; Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Councilmember District No. 7; Mr. Henry L. Richardson, Jr., Councilmember District No. 8; Mr. James H. Rozier, Jr., Supervisor ex officio; Mr. D. Mark Stokes, County Attorney; and Mr. Richard Lingenfelter, Deputy County Attorney. Absent from this meeting was Mr. Steve M. Vaughn, Councilmember District No. 5.

The requirements of the Freedom of Information Act have been complied with by posting the time, date, place and copy of Agenda of this Committee meeting of Berkeley County Council at the entrance to the Berkeley County Office Building, 223 N. Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, and a copy of such notice was mailed to all Councilmembers and the News media.

Chairman Farley called the meeting to order. First item on the agenda was, Wade Arnette, Berkeley County Corner, Re: Funding of Personal leave payoff for Pam Calhoun.

Mr. Arnette addressed the Committee and provided information regarding funding needed from the Contingency fund to pay leave time to Mrs. Pam Calhoun, who left employment with the County on March 23, 2001, after ten years of service. Mr. Arnette stated that he had worked with Kathy, in Human Resources, to arrive at the amount required for the unused leave.

Councilmember Crosby moved to have the request for \$7973, transferred from the Contingency fund, be sent to the Finance Committee; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Mims and passed by voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Farley continued with the second item on the agenda; Consideration of an Ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 80-3-5 in its entirety, and to amend Ordinance No. 80-3-4 to delete reference to the County Fire Board.

Chairman Farley asked who was to present this for consideration?

Councilmember Spooner, stated that it had been her understanding the Ordinance was to do away with the second Fire Board in order to only have the State required Fire Board.

D. Mark Stokes, County Attorney, explained the Ordinance would repeal the Ordinance that established the Advisory Fire Board. The Advisory Fire Board exists to coordinate the activities of the Local Fire Boards. The Board, which has the most duties, is the Tax District Fire Board. The Ordinance will dissolve the Advisory Fire Board and transfer their authority to the Tax District Fire Board.

Mr. Rozier added the Fire Chiefs Association has been reformed to assist and the advice fire departments. The Associations, which is not governed by Berkeley County, has divided the County into five districts, those five districts have presented suggestions for the five members who will serve on the Tax District Fire Board.

Mr. Crosby asked if it was correct that the Chiefs Association was only going to make recommendations for the Board, and that the final decision would be up to Council?

Mr. Rozier stated that was correct.

Mr. Rozier explained that the Chiefs Association will meet once a month to discuss questions or concerns that Fire Departments have, and in turn will meet with them when they need help.

Mr. Stokes indicated the Tax District Fire Board makes recommendations to Council and presents budgets to council. The Chiefs Association will present issues to the Tax District Fire Board who will deal with them accordingly and bring them to County Council.

Mr. Rozier asked for any further discussion? There was none.

Councilmember Spooner moved to approve; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Crosby; passed by voice vote of the Committee.

Third item on the agenda was; Review prior to Third Reading of Bill No. 01-2, and Ordinance to provide a civil penalty for the unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

Councilmember Crosby moved to approve; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Davis; passed by voice vote of the Committee.

Councilmember Crosby moved to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Councilmember Spooner; passed by voice vote of the Committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.